

## STATE of MINNESOTA

WHEREAS: The U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education have

declared November 13-17, 2006, as International Education Week in observance of the many important contributions of international education to our nation;

and

WHEREAS: International education and exchange include thousands of programs, public

and private, campus-based and national, that promote the sharing of ideas and experiences across borders. These include study abroad programs, citizen and scholarly exchanges, foreign students on U.S. campuses, area and foreign

language studies, and global approaches to U.S. education; and

WHEREAS: By participating in such programs, our young people develop a greater

appreciation and respect for other people and their cultures, and break down barriers to understanding and cooperation, which are vital to peace and

prosperity; and

WHEREAS: We live in an increasingly interconnected world and improving global literacy

among our citizens contributes significantly to our nation's foreign policy,

economic competitiveness, and national security; and

WHEREAS: This week we celebrate and recognize the importance of international education

in our lives and communities.

Now, Therefore, I, TIM PAWLENTY, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of November 13 – 17, 2006, as:

## INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this third day of November in the year of our Lord two thousand and six, and of the State the one hundred forty-eighth.

GOVERNOR

Mary Hiftneyer SECRETARY OF THE